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Yukon Government's CDF Support Reaches Across Yukon

WHITEHORSE - Economic Development Minister Jim Kenyon has awarded $231,915 from the Community Development Fund (CDF) to organizations across Yukon.

The money will be divided among 18 successful applicants and is coming from the CDF's Tier 1 level of funding, which allocates up to $20,000 per request. Tier 2 funding covers requests between $20,001 and $75,000, and Tier 3 funding supports requests above $75,000.

"CDF funding is one of the many ways the Yukon government assists community-based projects," Kenyon said. "Excellent work is being done on projects to make communities better places to live. The CDF is available throughout Yukon and supports a diverse range of organizations and community groups."

Dawson City's Community Development and Planning Office was among the 18 successful applicants and received $20,000 to develop a plan for developing and managing trail infrastructure within the municipality.

"Recreational trail development is integral to a healthy, sustainable recreation strategy for the community and to expanded economic opportunities for the tourism industry," Mark Wickham, Community Development and Planning Officer in Dawson, said. "This is a significant investment in Dawson's quality of life as the trails we're planning will be

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accessed by residents and visitors alike."

For more information about the CDF or to find out if your project is eligible, visit ***www.economicdevelopment.gov.yk.ca*** or call the CDF office at (867) 667-8125.

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For a complete list of recipients, see attached

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Tier 1 Community Development Fund Recipients:

City of Dawson - $20,000 Trail Development & Management Plan

To develop a Trail Development & Management Plan that sets out in a clear and comprehensive manner a method of developing and managing trail infrastructure within the municipality. **Contact:** Mark Wickham at 867-993-7414

Faro Arts & Recreation Society - $4,990 Faro Mountain Bike Youth Club Trail Development

To work with the Faro Mountain Bike Youth Club to develop trails and obstacles to provide all-year mountain biking activities for the community. **Contact:** Dale Ristau at 867-994-2200

Humane Society Dawson - $5,200 Neutral Fence & Shaded Ramp for Shelter Yard

To build a shaded ramp and neutral fence in the shelter yard.
Contact: Anna Tupakka at 867-993-6900

Junction Arts & Music Society - $11,600 St. Elias Convention Centre Acoustics & Sound System Examination

To examine the acoustics, sound system and control room for the Grand Hall in the St. Elias Convention Centre. **Contact:** Yolande Cherepak at 867-634-2366

Na-Cho Nyak Dun First Nation - $19,500 Alternate Delivery Feasibility Study

To investigate the costs, benefits and feasibility of "alternative" health and social delivery systems to fit the needs of Mayo residents. **Contact:** Connie Larochelle at 867-996-2882

Percy DeWolfe Memorial Race Committee - $11,000 Race Coordinator

To hire a race coordinator to organize and manage the 32nd running of the Percy DeWolfe Memorial Mail Race. **Contact:** Alex Brook at 867-993-5478

Recreation & Parks Association Yukon - $19,351 Aquatic Training

To offer aquatic training courses in Yukon communities to train lifeguards, instructors and other pool staff. **Contact:** Richele Bauer at 668-3010

Selkirk First Nation - $20,000 Trail Slashing

To complete slashing on three trails initiated in the winter of 2006/2007. **Contact:** Juanita Wood at 867-537-3331

Signpost Seniors' Society - $11,587 Upgrades to Storage Needs & Foot Care Room

To replace the hot water tank and complete upgrades to the foot care room at the Signpost Seniors Centre. **Contact:** Jerri Hofmann at 867-536-2929

Silver Sled Race Committee - $6,320 Trail Upgrade

To provide upgrades to trail equipment for the Silver Sled Dog Mushing Race. **Contact:** Alisen Haines at 867-634-2225

Town of Faro - $19,998 Community Beautification

To remove new growth trees & shrubs on lots of the vacant or abandoned commercial and residential buildings & to remove any derelict fencing and accumulated refuse. **Contact:** Daniel Steiner at 867-994-2728

Town of Watson Lake - $17,396 Upgrade Community Playgrounds

To upgrade six community playgrounds by replacing non-conforming equipment with new pieces, repair & repainting existing equipment and completing some landscaping. **Contact:** Deb Hadwen at (867) 536-

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Tr'ondek Hwech'in First Nation - $15,540 Outhouses
To construct and install non-polluting incinerating toilets at the Tr'ocheck Heritage Site. **Contact:** Michael Edwards at 867-993-7161

White River First Nation - $5,465 Creating Careers for the Future 2008 Job Fair
To hold a job fair to encourage community members to explore and pursue career and education options. **Contact:** Stacy Asp at 867-862-7014

Yukon Alpine Ski Association (ASAY) - $11,791 Electronic Sports Timing & Results Services
To purchase electronic timing equipment to expand capabilities for alpine ski racing and other Yukon racing events. **Contact:** Greg Kent at 867-667-3708

Yukon Historical & Museums Association - $8,575 A Public Perspective of Heritage Sites in Yukon
To complete upgrades to the interior of the Donneworth House to make room for new exhibits. **Contact:** Rebecca Jansen at 667-4704

Yukon Kennel Club - $8,027 Judges Travel Costs for Yukon International Dog Show 2008
To assist with costs associated with Judges and Show Secretary for the 37th Annual Yukon Kennel Club International Dog Show 2008. **Contact:** Lise Farynowski at 667-8424

Yukon Science Institute - $15,575 Science Under the Midnight Sun Conference
To provide three community-based components as part of the "Whitehorse 2008 Science Under the Midnight Sun" Canadian Science Writers' Association national conference. **Contact:** Lori Schroeder at 876-667-7899